MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS.

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL OFFICER, FUEL SUPPLIES, BANGALORE CITY.

Notification No. Fm. 29—46-7, dated 22nd January 1947.

Subject :—*Fuel Supplies—Bangalore City—After 15th April 1947.*

It is hereby notified for the information of *All Concerned* that the present period of contract with the Bangalore Fuel Supply and Transport Co., for fuel supplies to Bangalore City, Civil & Military Station and Southern Army expires on the 14th April 1947.

2. The question of future arrangements for the continuance of the supplies on and after 15th April 1947 is engaging the attention of the undersigned. The following are the estimated maximum quantities per month that may be required.

	Casuarina Fuel.	*Dindiga, Kamara or Jungle fuel.*
1. Bangalore City	3,500	4,000
2. C. & M. Station	2,000	2,000
3. Southern Army	1,250	1,250

3. The Schedule attached will show (*a*) the current rates *f.o.r.* Bangalore at which the Company is allowed to purchase fuel, (*b*) the handling and other charges allowed to it for delivery at retail depots, (*c*) the wholesale rate at which the company issues fuel to the retail merchants, (*d*) the retail rates which the licensed merchants are allowed to charge and (*e*) the other main features of the present arrangement are also shown therein.

4. Any workable schemes, proposals or suggestions which serve the following two main objectives, *viz.*—

(1) the steady maintenance of the abovementioned quantities of supplies after 14th April 1947; and

(2) the sale of fuel at *minimum* possible rates to the consumer preferably accompanied with working sheets showing the details of expenses at each stage, may be sent to the undersigned by any firm or company, any merchant, partner or other person interested before 10th February 1947, when the question will be taken up for consideration in this office.

SCHEDULE.

(FUEL).

(*a*)

The current rate f.o.r. Bangalore Weighbridge or Railway Station at which the Company is allowed to purchase fuel.

Fuel.—

(i) Casuarina, Dindiga, Kamara Rs. 26 per ton.

(ii) Jungle fuel other than those noted in (i) Rs. 18 per ton.

Charcoal.—

Jungle.—Rs. 2-8-0 per bag of 75 lbs. f.o.r. Bangalore Railway Station or Weighbridge excluding the weight of bag.

Casuarina.—Rs. 3-2-0 per bag of 75 lbs. f.o.r. Bangalore Railway Station or Weighbridge excluding the weight of bag.

(*b*)

The handling and other charges allowed to Bangalore Fuel Supply and Transport Co., for delivery at retail depots from Railway Station or Weighbridge.

	Cas., Dind. or Kamara	J. F.
	Rs: a. p.	Rs. a. p.
(i) Commission to Bangalore Fuel Supply and Transport Co. ...	1-4-0	0-14-0
(ii) Handling per ton (unloading at depot) ...	1-4-0	1-4-0
(iii) Transport charges from Weighbridge or Railway Station to the retail shop ...	2-0-0	2-0-0
Total ...	4-8-0	4-2-0

For Charcoal Re. 0-2-0 for transport per bag (Both C. F. and J. F. charcoal).

(*c*)

The wholesale rate at which the Company issues fuel to retail merchants.—

Cas., Dindiga and Kamara Rs. 30-12-0 per ton.

J. Fuel Rs. 22-6-0 per ton.

Rs. 2-12-0 per bag of 75 lbs.

Casuarina charcoal Rs. 3-6-0 per bag of 75 lbs.

(*d*)

The retail rates which the licensed merchants are allowed to charge on consumers.

	Unsplit.	*Split.*
C.F., D.F., or K. F.	$2\frac{1}{2}$ Mds. a rupee.	
	$2\frac{3}{4}$ Mds. a rupee or Rs. 34 per ton.	
J.F.	$3\frac{3}{4}$ Mds. a rupee or Rs. 25 a ton.	$3\frac{1}{4}$ Mds. a rupee.

Note.—The splitting is done by the retailer: Rs. 2-14-0 per bag of 75 lbs.

Rs. 3-8-0 per bag of 75 lbs. (for Casuarina Charcoal).

(*e*)

Vide Schedule below.

Note.—For (*a*).—

If a Government Lorry or B.F.S.T. Company Lorry is given for transport of fuel from the Plantation to Bangalore Railway Station or Weighbridge as the case may be hire charges at Re. 1 per laden mile is charged and deducted in the bill, *i.e.*, if a lorry transports fuel from a Plantation 10 miles from Bangalore, Rs. 10 will be charged as hire. Deduction will be made for fuel exceeding 3′ in girth or 3′ in length.

Note.—For Charcoal.—

Supplies are arranged independent of the Company through the Forest Department as also private agencies. The average monthly requirements for Bangalore City are about 15,000 bags (75 lbs. each).

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The following are the main facilities now offered to the Company :—

(*a*) The Company has been given about 50 lorries by the Department on a lease-lend basis.

(*b*) These lorries which are registered in the Director of Food Supplies' name, do not pay any taxes or cesses.

(*c*) The Company has been permitted to calculate lorry hire at Re. 1 per laden mile in order to fix the price of fuel at plantations in cases in which they are commandeered at the Company's request.

(*d*) The Special Officer, Fuel Supplies, will, wherever necessary and possible, arrange to commandeer casuarina plantations and hand them over to the Company at a price calculated at Rs. 26 per ton f.o.r. Bangalore.

(*e*) The Department has undertaken to arrange as far as possible to provide waggons.

(*f*) The Department has undertaken as far as possible to obtain permits for petrol, spare parts and accessories for lorries as well as rations for coolies employed in the work of cutting and transporting fuel.

(*g*) Persons supplying fuel from the Forest Department have to continue to supply fuel to the Company at Rs: 18 per ton, f.o.r. Bangalore (Jungle Wood). Direct supplies from the Forest Department being also made to the Company at the same prices.

(*h*) Fuel supplies are now being received from the Districts of Mysore, Tumkur, Bangalore and Kolar from the Government Forest areas, reserved for supplies to Bangalore. Similar reservations will be made in consultation with the Forest Department.

(*i*) No permit for import of fuel for sale is granted to private persons except for domestic purposes or any other persons within the discretion of the Special Officer, Fuel Supplies.

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